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Mr. Mel Poole, Superintendent USDI National Park Service Catoctin Mountain Park Thurmont, MD 21788

Dear Mr. Poole:

On June 19, 2000, Rod Whiteman of my staff conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at the Catoctin Mountain Park. Approximately 12 acres of moderate defoliation (30-60 percent) and 12 acres of heavy defoliation (61-100 percent) were detected on your site while 12 acres of moderate defoliation and 32 acres of heavy defoliation were detected on adjacent lands.

Either Brad Onken or Rod will coordinate the scheduling of egg mass surveys with James Voight during late summer or early fall.

Please contact Rod at (304) 285-1555 if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

for JOHN W. HAZEL

Field Representative

Morgantown Field Office

~ W. Kerkey

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Figure 1.— Results of the gypsy moth defoliation survey conducted at Catoctin Mountain Park on June 19, 2000.

